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TAGS: EAGR, JA
SUBJECT: STRAUSS/USHIBA FOLLOW-UP: MTN RESPONSE ON BEEF
- AND CITRUS

1. ASAHI SHIMBUN JUNE 13 REPORTS "GOVERNMENT SOURCE"
DISCLOSED JUNE 12 THAT GOJ HAS FIRMED UP ITS POSITION ON
CITRUS FOR MTN AND HAS DECIDED ON VIRTUAL "ZERO REPLY"
TO AMERICAN REQUESTS ON CITRUS BECAUSE OF OVERSUPPLY
OF MIKANS. ARTICLE GOES ON TO SPECULATE THAT U.S. MADE
SUCH STRONG DEMAND ON CITRUS BECAUSE U.S. HAS LOST
ENTHUSIASM FOR BEEF EXPORTS TO JAPAN BECAUSE OF RECENT
BEEF PRICE INCREASES IN U.S. ASAHI REPORTER EXPRESSES
DOUBTS ABOUT WHETHER U.S. WILL ACCEPT JAPANESE EXPLANA-
TIONS FOR NON-RESPONSE ON CITRUS AND NOTES THAT OPINION
GROWING ON JAPANESE SIDE THAT TARIFF CUTS ON SOME OF 80
ITEMS OTHER THAN CITRUS REQUESTED BY U.S. WILL BE NECESSARY
TO PERSUADE U.S. TO ACCEPT GOJ POSITION ON CITRUS.

2. SIGNALS THAT CITRUS IS TOUGHEST AGRICULTURAL PROBLEM
FOR GOJ IN MTN HAVE BEEN FREQUENT IN PAST FEW WEEKS. IDEA
THAT U.S. NO LONGER INTERESTED IN BEEF EXPORTS IS NEW
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INVENTION, PRESUMABLY BY ASAHI REPORTER AND NOT ANYONE
IN GOJ. ASAHI WAS ONLY PAPER TO CARRY THIS STORY. MANSFIE-
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